

Winterfest 2006

SATURDAY FEB. 25 – SUNDAY MARCH 5, 2006

**OFFICE OF YOUTH SERVICES - The Rines Center
1528 Elm Street, Lower Level - ENTER VIA REAR DOOR
Manchester, New Hampshire, 03101
(603) 624-6470**

WHEN PASSES ARE REQUIRED, THEY ARE AVAILABLE ON A FIRST COME, FIRST SERVED BASIS, at the Office of Youth Services, 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. BEGINNING THE DAY BEFORE THE SCHEDULED EVENT. (Pick up passes for Monday, Feb. 27 on Friday, Feb. 24.)

WEEK LONG EVENTS

Sat Feb 25 - Sun Mar 5 Traditional Horse-drawn Sleigh Rides, Charmingfare Farm, Candia See wolves, mountain lions, river otters, wolverines, reindeer, and other animals playing in the snow. Continues past winter pastures into the woods. The 90-minute ride includes a 30-minute campfire with cocoa. **Reserved seats required.** Call 483-5623 or go to www.visitthefarm.com for reservations and information. Use promotional code winterfest06 to receive \$3 discount per General Boarding ticket, any ride, any day 2/25 to 3/5/06.

Manchester Historic Association Millyard Museum, Sat Feb 25 to Sat Mar 4 (closed 2/26 & 2/27), corner of Commercial & Pleasant Streets, "Victorian Secrets" exhibit and activities: 2/25 Watch construction of **Lego models** of Manchester buildings, 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. 2/28 Invent with popsicle sticks, toothpicks, and Connects 10 a.m. to noon, 1 - 3 p.m. 3/1 Victorian Paper Crafts, 10 a.m. to noon, 1 - 3 p.m. 3/2 Victorian Games - Hoops, Graces, & Morris, 10 a.m. to noon, 1 - 3 p.m. 3/3 Victorian Paint Crafts, 10 a.m. to noon, 1 - 3 p.m. 3/4 Build a Lego house, 1 - 3 p.m. Activities free with admission: Adults \$6, Seniors \$5, children age 6 & over - \$2, 5 & under - free, family \$18 maximum. Call 622-7531 for more information.

Currier Museum of Art, 201 Myrtle Way, Free Admission for all from Sun Feb 26 thru Sat Mar 4 Closed Tue Feb 28. Call 669-6144 ext. 108 for hours or visit www.currier.org.

Massabesic Audubon Center February Fun Vacation Camp - 26 Audubon Way, Auburn Mon, Feb 27 thru Fri, Mar 3 9 a.m. - 4 p.m. "Protecting NH's Natural Environment for Wildlife and People" **MUST pre-register,** Call 224-9909 ext. 333, for either whole week (\$200) or day session (\$45) with after-hours option (\$8). **Ages 6 to 10.** All campers bring snacks and lunch, outdoor clothing required. Crafts, outdoor exploration on foot and snowshoes, story telling, games. More information at www.nhaudubon.org

Free Swimming at Southern NH University 2500 North River Road: Mon, Feb 27 thru Fri, Mar 3, 9:15 - 10:45 a.m. An adult must accompany children. Pick up passes and pool rules at Office of Youth Services (OYS) **only the day before, 8 a.m. to 5 p.m., starting Friday Feb 24 for Monday Feb 27.** Limit 75 passes per day.

Currier Art Center 180 Pearl St.: Mon, Feb 27 thru Fri, Mar 3 Vacation Art Camp: "Bonjour Paris!" Multimedia for 1st- 8th graders, \$185, Kindergartners ½ days only, \$120. Partial week at lower cost. 4-year olds, 10 to 11 a.m., Feb 27, Mar 1, Mar 3, \$40. For required pre-registration go on-line at www.currier.org, press "Create and Explore Art" or call 669-6144 ext. 122 for more info.

SEE Science Center 200 Bedford St: Mon, Feb. 27 thru Fri, Mar 3 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. Pick up "\$2 off regular price" passes at Office of Youth Services (OYS) the day before you visit (Friday 2/24 for Monday 2/27). Discounted price per person = \$3. Limit 50 per day. Exhibit and activity info: www.see-sciencecenter.org or 669-0400.

Vertical Dreams Climbing Gym, Mon, Feb 27 thru Fri, Mar 3, 250 Commercial St., Special Vacation Hours: Sat Feb 25 & Sun Feb 26 opening at 11 a.m. Mon, Feb 27 thru Fri, Mar 3 opening at 12 noon. Sat Mar 4 & Sun Mar 5 opening at 11 a.m. Waiver forms required for climbers under 18, **MUST BE SIGNED BY A PARENT,** available online at www.verticaldreams.com. More information available at website or 603-625-6919.

Bowling, Stadium Ten Pin, 216 Maple St, Mon, Feb 27 thru Fri Mar 3, 12 to 5 p.m. Children bowl two games, with shoes, and hot dog and soda. Only \$9 total! Phone 625-9656.

Skiing at McIntyre Ski Area: Mon, Feb 27 thru Fri, Mar 3, 1 p.m. to 5 p.m. only! Limit 100. Get passes at Office of Youth Services (OYS) the day before (Friday 2/24 for Monday 2/27). \$5 per person with pass. Bring your own equipment, very limited rentals.

Public Ice Skating at JFK Coliseum: Mon, Feb 27 thru Fri, Mar 3, 2 p.m. to 4 p.m. Adults: \$3.00, Children: \$2.00. Bring your own skates, very limited rentals.

City Year Winter Camp, "Art in Action" Mon, Feb 27 thru Thu, Mar 2, 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. Day camp for middle school (grades 6 - 8 students). Hillside Middle School 112 Reservoir Ave. Art activities & service project. Food and materials provided, \$15 donation requested. Must pre-register. Get forms at Hillside Middle School main office or City Year website, www.cityyear.org/new_hampshire, click on Events, then Winter Camp or call 603-773-1618 with questions.

Amoskeag Fishways Winter Vacation Series, Fletcher St. Tue, Feb 28 thru Thu Mar 2: Winter Wonder Series for grades K - 12, 10 a.m. to noon. Skills of the Native People for grades 3 - 6, 1 to 3 p.m. Winter Wonder Series: Tue, "Secrets of Snow" Wed, "Winter Owls & Hawks" Thu, "Winter Wildlife Search" (needs adult transportation). Skills of the Native People: Tue, "Traditional Handicrafts" Wed, "Firemaking & Cooking" Thu, "Tracking in the Woods" (needs adult transportation). **Attend one (\$6) or all three programs (\$15). Must pre-register & pre-pay. Call 626-FISH (3474) or www.amoskeagfishways.org.**

DAY-BY-DAY EVENTS

Mon Feb 27, Currier Museum of Art, 201 Myrtle Way, Drawing in the Galleries, 11:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. for ages 5 & up, bring pencil and paper to sketch artwork with art educator. **Free.**

Tue, Feb 28, Wed, Mar 1, Thu, Mar 2, 9:30 to 11:30 a.m. 3 on 3 Invitational Basketball Tournament at Beech Street School, sponsored by OYS & Parks and Recreation: Middle School students only. **Free.** Register Feb 28 & Mar 1 only, 9:30 a.m. at the School. There must be at least three and no more than four members on every team. Team members, please wear shirts of the same color!

Tue Feb 28, 10:30 to 11:30 a.m. West Community Library, 76 North Main St. presents: T-Bone, American's Musical Pied Piper, entertainment for the family.

Tue Feb 28, Wed, Mar 1, Thu, Mar 2, Tubing at McIntyre Ski Area 10 a.m. to Noon Get passes at Office of Youth Services (OYS) the day before, 2/27, 28, 29. No adult tubing. Children must be at least 5 years old and at least 44 inches tall to participate. Limit: **4 passes per family**, given to adults only. Limit: 100 per day. **Free**

Tue Feb 28, 1 - 2 p.m. Manchester City Library, 405 Pine St presents: T-Bone, American's Musical Pied Piper NOTE: Manchester Library Card Holders will be given priority for entrance. Have your card ready.

Tue Feb 28, 5:30 - 7:30 p.m., Family Game and Gym Night, YWCA, Girls Program Center, 72 Concord St., Open Gym, basketball, bingo, ping pong, and more! Children under age 16 must be accompanied by an adult (unless YWCA member or enrolled in YWCA Program). Refreshments will be served. **Free** - Call Sarah at 625-5785 for further information.

Wed, Mar 1, Currier Museum of Art, 201 Myrtle Way, 2 p.m., "Stories to Round Off the Season" Author-Storyteller Len Cabral performs folk tales with song, mime, humor, and poetry. Children must be accompanied by an adult. **Free**

Thu, Mar 2, Noon - 3 p.m., Currier Museum of Art, 201 Myrtle Way, "New Hampshire Words and Pictures" NH authors and illustrators will read their books in the galleries. Children ages 5 and up are welcome with their parents. **Free**

Fri, Mar 3, 10 to 11:30 a.m. Basketball Shooting Contest, Beech Street School: for boys & girls grades 3 thru 8. No fee or passes necessary. **Sign up same day at Beech Street School.**

Fri, Mar 3, 2 p.m. Currier Museum of Art, 201 Myrtle Way, Family Gallery Walk in the permanent collection, geared to ages 8 to 12, accompanied by parents. **Free**

Sat, Mar 4 Manchester Family YMCA's Family Fun Day 12 - 2 p.m. at Downtown YMCA 30 Mechanic St and from 3 - 5 p.m. at the Allard Center Goffstown Back Road, in Goffstown Supervised aquatics games, races, and prizes. **Free!** Must pre-register at Front Desk, beginning Feb 27 and continuing until maximum reached. Bring registration to participate. Also: **Open Swim at the Downtown YMCA, 30 Mechanic St, from 2:30 to 4 p.m.** Call 232-8628 with questions.